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FOR: DEVICE FOR REGULATING FLOW IN A
DUCT PORTION OR AN INTAKE
PASSAGE AND MANIFOLD
COMPRISING SAME

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination of this new U.S. national stage application filed under 35 USC § 371, of above-referenced International Application, Applicant respectfully submits the following Amendments and Remarks to be entered into the patent application identified above and earnestly requests that the Examiner pass this application to allowance.

AMENDMENTS:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel originally filed Claims 1-17. Please add new Claims 18 - 62, renumbered herein as Claims 1 - 45. The new Claims, in clean form, are presented on the following pages.